What is claimed is:

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- 1. A hydrostatic cylinder block comprising:
- a cylinder block body having a center bore, a uniformly spaced radially located cylindrical bores and a lip at a first end;
- a base plate having a center opening, uniformly spaced radially located arcuate kidney-shaped openings, and a flange that matingly connects to the lip at the first end of the cylinder block;
- a wave spring disposed through the center opening of the cylinder block; and
- a hub partially disposed through the center opening of the cylinder block.
- 2. The hydrostatic cylinder block of claim 1 wherein at a starting position the hub is free from contact with the wave spring.
- 20 3. A method of making a cylinder block for a rotatable hydrostatic power member, comprising steps of:
 - forming a base plate having a center opening with arcuate kidney-shaped uniformly spaced radially located bores and a flange;
- 25 forming a cylinder block having a center cylindrical bore, uniformly spaced radially located cylindrical bores having a smaller diameter than the center cylindrical bore, and a lip that mates with the flange of the base plate;
- 30 securing the base plate to the cylinder block along the lip and flange;
 - disposing a wave spring through the center cylindrical bore;

- forming a hub and disposing the hub through the center cylindrical bore so that the hub is partially within the cylinder block.
- 5 4. The method of claim 3 wherein the base plate is formed by near net shaping technologies comprising one of powder metal, forging, stamping, lost foam, or extrusion.
- The method of claim 4 wherein the cylinder block is formed by near net shaping technologies comprising one of powder metal, forging, stamping, lost foam, or extrusion.
- 15 6. The method of claim 4 wherein the hub is formed by near net shaping technologies comprising one of powder metal, forging, stamping, lost foam, or extrusion.
- 7. The method of claim 3 wherein the base plate is secured to the cylinder block using resistance welding.